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Notes from KO4ZFO (Rodney)

Dear SWARC members,

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President these last two years. I have enjoyed representing South Wake ARC during the last few years, and have thoroughly enjoyed seeing each of you at the meetings. With Field Day 2025 coming up, I hope all of you will participate and show your support for SWARC. To all of our new members, I encourage you to get active in any capacity that you are able to. SWARC has taught me a lot during my Ham Radio journey and I am appreciative for all of its members.

Please remember our fellow members who are dealing with various medical situations. Please reach out to these members. Even a phone call can brighten their day and give them encouragement through their recovery.

We ask you to keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Gary, KO4LQX, Kenny, KJ4CVK, Al, WA4TCJ, and Linda, KI4LO, Crawford, Bernie Jones, N4BAJ, and particularly his wife.



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Steve, KA0GMY (SK), passed away, on May 10, 2025, as a result of protracted illnesses and other complications stemming from a car wreck in January. Several of the current SWARC members were present at his memorial in the following week. Gloria and Steve, Jr., seem to be doing okay but we should remember them and check on them regularly.

Gary Plante, KO4LQX, reports:

Hi Richard, hope you and the gang are doing well.

I'll be getting scans the 10th of this month and will find out if I will still be able to receive immunotherapy. The blood work I had last identified that my kidney function had been reduced quite a bit and it could be because the immunotherapy may now be attacking my kidneys.

I will know more after more blood work and my scans next Tuesday.

Thanks for checking in. (Report from Richard Hall this week).

Kenny, KJ4CVK, is now in an assisted living facility, in Lillington.

Al and Linda Crawford have had many health issues over the past few months and are feeling better and doing a slight bit more these days.

Bernie recovered from his pneumonia and other respiratory issues but his wife is recovering now from her recent heart procedure.



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It is now time to renew your membership, if you have not already done so. You can pay at a meeting or send a check to the PO Box – OR ->

We currently have a link on our website which allows you to pay your dues or make a donation. Please let us know when you pay online by emailing me, so that I can ensure your payment is marked either for dues or a donation. The link for SWARC dues is:

<https://urldefense.com/v3/https://square.link/u/h0LLrbD6?src=sms>

Rodney KO4ZFO

Notes from NW3U (Dave)

Hello SWARC Members,

For those of you who were not at the meeting, we were unable to get any nominations for the offices of President and Vice President. It will be up to the board to decide how to proceed. It's evident that we need to take a look at our constitution. Years ago, there were some changes made to the make-up of the board of directors, however, those changes never made it to the constitution (or bylaws). This needs to be revisited. It has been a privilege to serve you this past year.

Dave, NW3U



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SWARC 4 June 2025 Meeting Minutes

Thanks to all who brought desserts for us to eat. The club furnished pizza as is the tradition for the election meeting.

It was a nicely attended meeting overall and we also traded cash for KA0GMY's ham gear; monies to be given to the family. There is still a Kenwood TS-480 valued at \$400 and a Kenwood TS-2000 valued at \$500 for sale (OBO). These are the big-ticket items of his vast and varied collection of ham gear. Many of us got great bargains on stuff we bought.

The meeting began at 7:08 pm with Pledge of Allegiance led by Dave, NW3U. (Our president was preparing for a minor medical procedure and therefore absent). This was followed by brief officer reports.

Attendees: Bill (KK4QDZ), Richard (KR4LH), Dave, (NW3U), Rich (KZ4ET) and wife Jane, Christy (KJ4AEO), Mike (Gator) (K4MWG), Ken (KN4GUS), Don (KN4OEY), Paul (KN4GNI), Navin (KF4LFW), Mike (KD4OKR), John (WB4UFO), Diane (KE4VNX), Mike (KD4MC), Kevin (N4ANC), Steve (WB4SMS), Gary (W4MYMZ), Mark (N8MH), Tom (KC2QVD) and guest Van (KR4CWX) who may have joined during the meeting! There were also one or two more that I didn't recognize and I apologize for not getting their info.



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Old/Unfinished Business

VP Dave Krum conducted the elections; see his comments in the VP notes. However, the following were elected for the 2025-26 fiscal year:

Secretary	Brian Knox (KK4BK)
Treasurer	Christy Fernandini (KJ4AEO)
Board Member	Steve Suzanne (WB4SMS)
Board Member	Paul Nicholson (KN4NGI)
Newsletter Editor	Richard Hall (KR4LH)

VP Dave Krum also conducted a moment of silence for Steve, KA0GMY (SK).

New Business

Vice President Dave Krum held a brief discussion on the preparations for Field Day on 28-29 June 2025. The final document for our proposed operations and sign-ups will be issued very soon by President Rodney Warren.

He also asked members to report on their recent ham radio activities and there were a number of interesting events/activities mentioned.



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Program/Presentation

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Christy Fernandini's report highlighted income of \$347.50 with expenses of \$215.20 comprised of flowers for Steve's memorial, reimbursements and bank and credit card service fees. Balance of \$2,153.79 with no obligated funds.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Hall KR4LH
Secretary and Newsletter Editor

Public Service

To learn more about future events, you can go to <https://hpsnc.org/>.
However, here are the current and future support needs:

2025 Cup-N-Cone Ride
Saturday, June 14, 2025



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This half-day event, sponsored by Precision Race, benefits the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. We will need mobile stations (SAGs) and rest stop stations to cover 25- and 50-mile routes.

- * Location: Panther Creek HS, Cary, NC
- * Ham Coordinator: Kenn Kubacki NE4Y

2025 Firecracker Ride
Friday, July 4, 2025

This full-day event, sponsored by the Capital Cycling Club, benefits the Greater Carolinas Multiple Sclerosis Society. Mobile stations (SAGs) and rest stop stations needed to cover 36-, 60-, and 100-kilometer routes.

- * Location: Carolina Brewing Co.
- * Ham Coordinator: Jeremy Lindsley K2HJX

Check the HPSNC.org web site often for Public Service opportunities. The public service season is very active and events need volunteers. You may also get to public service events on the RARS and SWARC websites.



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MEMBERSHIP

You can bring a check or cash for dues to the next meeting or mail them to the club PO box and Christy will advise she has received them. Also, you can now renew online by contacting Christy and giving her the appropriate credit card info for the 'Square' account. Christy's email is christyfernandini@outlook.com. Make checks payable to South Wake ARC and send to South Wake ARC – PO Box 1565 – Fuquay Varina, NC 27526

NET REPORT

We will no longer be reporting net numbers. **Very few** net controls record their counts, so numbers could be significantly higher than recorded.

If you are a net control, please try to document your check-ins so that we can justify the trustee's provision of the repeater for our nets and other uses. **If you need help with the spreadsheet, send me a copy of your handwritten log and I will enter them. Text Richard at 830-515-9762 with a picture of your log.**

- Saturday and Sunday evenings will be called by KO4ZFO & KR4LH



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- **We need someone to** call Monday evenings besides KO4ZFO
- KN4OEY will call Tuesday evenings
- KK4BK will call Wednesday evenings except on meeting nights
- KO4ZFO or a board member will call Thursday evenings
- Fridays will continue to be called by NC4MP
- And we need backups – JUST BECAUSE.

Welcome to new substitute net controllers: CD Murphy (KJ4IJK), Bryant Byrd (KQ4UHZ) and Mark McFarland (KD7AAG).

Please contact Don Nicholson (KN4OEY), if you are interested in calling one or more nets. **If you are a scheduled net controller and you are not able to call your net, please reach out and ask someone else to call it for you!**

SWARC Mission Statement

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of its members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public



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events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service. Refer to the SWARC web site for the Board of Directors/Officers and Appointed Positions.

LINKS (if you have other links that you want added, send them to me)

PRN

A Wide Area Digital Amateur Radio Network

www.ncprn.net

GigaParts

www.gigaparts.com

QRZ

www.qrz.com

Ham Radio Outlet HRO

www.hamradio.com

Raleigh Amateur Radio Society RARS

www.rars.org

Johnson Amateur Radio Society JARS

www.jars..net

South Wake Amateur Radio Club SWARC

www.southwakearc.com

Carolina 440 Network

www.carolina440.net

North Carolina Packet

www.ncpacket.com

TARPN (Terrestrial Amateur Packet Radio Net)

www.tarpn.net

Useful Ham Info

www.torborg.com/a



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Five County Ham Radio Enthusiasts

www.fivecountyhre.org

Ham Study (Exam Tools)

www.hamstudy.org

Due to formatting issues, I will forward the most recent ARRL News to all members, regardless of your membership in ARRL or not!